

House Resolution No. 2743

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exceptional citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Edna E. Perry established the Edna E. Perry Real Estate Company in 1970 on East 45th Terrace in Kansas City, a location which remained constant for thirty-three years; and

Whereas, Edna E. Perry Real Estate Company will celebrate its move to a new location on Paseo Boulevard on May 14, 2004, with a festive Grand Opening; and

Whereas, Edna Perry began her business thirty-three years ago with “fifty dollars, a borrowed typewriter and a vision”; and

Whereas, now universally praised for quality service and a commitment to the community, Edna Perry has developed business relationships with several governmental and community agencies, has become the first African-American woman to serve on the Better Business Bureau Board of Directors, has accepted the duties of Management Broker for the United States Department of Veteran Affairs, and has found a profitable niche in helping churches and synagogues to relocate, including the move underwritten by the \$1 million sale of Keliath Israel Synagogue; and

Whereas, recipient of a Certificate of Appreciation from the Department of Veteran Affairs, Edna Perry also has received a Proclamation in her honor from Mayor Kay Barnes and the City Council of Kansas City and has been featured in A Power of Her Own, a book about women entrepreneurs and leaders in the Kansas City metropolitan community; and

Whereas, Edna Perry has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation as one of the listing brokers for Fannie Mae in Missouri and Kansas; the first African-American woman Trustee on the Land Trust Commission of Jackson County; a representative for the Kansas City, Missouri, School District; a charter member of the Board of Directors for the Mayors Corps of Progress for a Greater Kansas City; and a Board Trustee at Second Baptist Church, where she is a member:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, stellar history of Edna E. Perry Real Estate Company and to convey to its highly respected proprietress and namesake this legislative body’s heartiest congratulations and best wishes upon the successful grand opening of her new office location; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Edna E. Perry.

Offered by _____
Representative Yvonne S. Wilson
District No. 42

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2743, adopted May 6, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker